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Re: Valuation of Fundraising Tickets Provided to Public Officials

Dear Ms. McLean:

Pursuant to our phone conversation, I wish to restate the advice you gave me.

I described a situation in which Corporation A has purchased a table of tickets to a fundraising dinner for Candidate X. Public Official B has been invited as the guest of Corporation A to that fundraising event. The question is whether or not Corporation A has made a gift to Public Official B for the value of the fundraising dinner ticket.

You advised me that it has been the opinion of the staff of the FPPC that the value of the ticket to a fundraiser is nothing. Therefore, if Corporation A invites Public Official B to sit at its table at a fundraising dinner for Candidate X, no gift, as defined in Government Code Section 82028, has been made by Corporation A or accepted by Public Official B and therefore Public Official B has no reporting responsibilities under Government Code Section 87207(a)(1) by reason of his attendance at the fundraising dinner.

Please confirm our conversation by signing the attached letter copy and returning it to me. If I have misstated any part of our conversation, please advise me at your earliest convenience.

Kind :

Kirk Alan Pessner

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